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SUBJECT: ECLIPSE 73
FOR R. C. MCCULLOUGH FROM NCAR

1. YOUR 26 MAR TELEX AND ALL WEEKLY REPORTS RECEIVED TO DATE.

 2. VEHICLES. HAVE ABANDONED RENTING OR BUYING IN US. COMPLICATIONS EXCESSIVE. CONSIDERATION OF NIDEYS REQUIREMENTS COMPlicATES RENTAL MATTERS YOUR END. MUST RELEASE ROVE YOU HAVE NOW TO HIM ABOUT 25 MAY. NIDEYS ROVER ARRIVES DAKAR 27 APR; BILL CURTIS WILL PICK IT UP 7 MAY. MUST GIVE IT BACK TO NIDEY ON 20 JUNE. BUYING SELLING YOUR END NOT POSSIBLE. THIS LEAVES FOLLOWING FIRM MINIMUM LAND ROVER RENTAL REQUIREMENTS. ALL TO BE TURNED IN ON 6 JULY. ONE PICKUP WITH DRIVER TO BEGIN ON 25 APR, ONE STATION WAGON WITH DRIVER TO BEGIN ON 15 MAY (ARRIVAL DATE OF MOREL AND 3 TEXAS PEOPLE), ONE PICKUP OR STATION WAGON TO BEGIN 25
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MAY, ONE PICKUP OR STATION WAGON TO BEGIN ONE JUNE AND ONE PICKUP TO BEGIN 20 JUNE. UNDERSTAND DATES OF EXCLUSIVE CONCESSION UNCERTAIN. GIVEN OUR EARLY RENTAL DATES YOU ARE FREE TO COMMIT TO BEST RENTAL RATES OFFERED DURING PERIOD OF FREE COMPETITION BASED ON YOUR OWN JUDGMENT. PLEASE CONSIDER REQUIREMENTS, DIPLOMACY AND DIFFICULTIES OF JUGGLING VEHICLES IN THE LAST MONTH IN ADDITION TO COSTS.

3. GAS. YES MEAN TWO TINY CAMP STOVE BOTTLES.
4. PURCHASES TO BE MADE: 5 BOTTLES BUTANE (THINK HOLD ABOUT 2 OR 3 GALLONS EACH), 2 PRESSURE REDUCTION VALVES (BOTTLE TO STOVE PRESSURE), 2 6 FOOT HOSES TO CONNECT VALVES TO STOVE AND ONE SMALL ONE BURNER HOT PLATE TYPE STOVE, ONE COFFEE POT, 4 LITERS WHITE PAINT, ONE LITER RED PAINT, TWO (2) LITERS RUBBING ALCOHOL, 2 LITERS TURPENTINE, 2 MEDIUM SIZE ARTIST LETTERING BRUSHES, 2 EACH 3 INCH PAINT BRUSHES, 70 ROLLS TOILET PAPER, 10 NO SMOKING SIGNS ABOUT 1 FOOT BY 2 FEET IN ARABIC, FRENCH AND ENGLISH ON SAME SIGN. LUMBER (DIMENSIONS APPROXIMATE): 2 EACH 2 INCH BY 12 INCH BY 6 FOOT PLANK, 3 EACH 2 INCH BY 12 INCH BY 8 FOOT PLANK, 24 2 INCH BY 4 INCH BY 8 FOOT PLANKS AND 15 EACH PLYWOOD PIECES ABOUT 4 FEET BY 8 FEET AND 3/4 (PREFERABLY BUT NOT LESS THAN 5/8) INCH THICK PIPE ABOUT 5 TO 6 CM DIAMETER AND IN CONNECTABLE SECTIONS FOR 2 FLAG POLES ABOUT 20 FOOT HIGH, A MAURITANIA FLAG ABOUT 4 FOOT BY 6 FOOT (SAME SIZE AS OURS-- DISCUSS PROTOCOL WITH EMBASSY).

5. FAA REGULATIONS PREVENT NON-ECLIPSE PEOPLE FROM PASS CHARTER.

6. ROVER. GIVE IT GENERAL CHECK UP AND TUNEUP. BUY SECOND SPARE AND WHEEL AND AS EXTRA ITEMS 2 FAN BELTS, SET OF POINTS, CONDENSER, SET SPARK PLUGS, ALSO 5 METAL JERRY CANS FOR GAS, 4 PLASTIC (3-5 GALLON) CANS FOR WATER, 2 METAL CANS OR JERRY CANS FOR WATER.

7. GALLOUDEC. I ACCEPT VERBAL ASSURANCE OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL FLIGHT. INFORM HIM.

8. ANYBODY ELSE AT CHINGUETTI WITH US?

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9. HAND CARRYING ECLIPSE BULLETINS AND GOT COPY FREQUENCY LETTER.

10. FUEL. DELIVERY DATE NEEDS CLOSELY COINCIDE WITH EQUIPMENT ARRIVAL DATE. LATTER BETWEEN 25 APRIL AND 10 MAY. ASK TO HAVE IT AVAILABLE IN BARRELS (ABOUT 55 GALLON OR 200 LITERS EACH) FOR DELIVERY BY 25 APRIL. EXACT DATE SPECIFIED WHEN CARGO CLEARS ROSSO ENROUTE. OFFER 5 DAYS NOTICE FOR ARRIVAL OF FIRST TRUCKLOAD. ARRANGE TO SHIP 3 BARRELS GAS- OIL WITH CARGO FROM NOUAKCHOTT OR PICK UP IN ATAR ENROUTE (TO LAST FOR 5 DAY GRACE PERIOD). AMOUNTS FOR CHINGUETTI FOLLOW: GAS- OIL 7,000 LITERS, REGULAR GASOLINE FOR ROVERS AND ONAN GENERATORS 2,000 LITERS, REGULAR GASOLINE, KEROSENE 400 LITERS, OIL 48 LITERS OF 30 WEIGHT (DELAC 1300). FOR DELIVERY AT PENN STATE SITE NEAR ATAR ON 3 OR 4 JUNE: REGULAR GASOLINE 1,600 LITERS, OIL 16 LITERS 58 WEIGHT HIGH DETERGENT. ORDER IS FIRM. INDICATE TO PENN. TERMS CASH ON DELIVERY IF OK.

11. BUY FIFTY POUNDS LIME.

12. PENN STATE TRAILER WILL COME REGARDLESS, WILL COME PIGGYBACK IF NECESSARY.

13. OK FOR SOMACO TO WORK AFTER OUR ARRIVAL.

14. PURCHASED ITEMS ALL SHOULD BE BOUGHT, BOXED, AND ARRANGED FOR SHIPMENT CONCURRENT WITH SOCOPAO TRUCKS PASSAGE THROUGH NOUAKCHOTT ON WAY TO CHINGUETTI.

15. UNDERSTAND SOCOPAO - MAURITANIA NEED FOR SHIPPING LISTS. ALL DOCUMENTATION IS THRU SCAC, SOCOPAO NEW YORK AFFILIATE.

16. IS IT OKAY WITH EMBASSY IF NIDEY USES OUR LAND ROVER 25 MAY TO END OF PROJECT. HE CLAIMS PRIORITY BY EARLIER REQUEST. HE MUST REIMBURSE US.

17. LAST ITEM GOT YOUR 23 MARCH REPORT. YOU ARE HEREBY AWARDED THE NSETG (M) CITATION. HANG ON. / S/ MEDRUD
INTERESTED PARTY. ROGERS

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